Before the **Federal Communications Commission** Washington, D.C. 20554

| In the Matter of |) | |
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| |) | File Number EB-06-OR-055 |
| Ace Broadcasting, Inc. |) | |
| |) | NAL/Acct. No. 200732620001 |
| Licensee of Expired Station WQST-AM |) | |
| Forest, Mississippi |) | FRN 0009643206 |
| Facility ID #1652 |) | |
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FORFEITURE ORDER

Adopted: March 14, 2007 Released: March 16, 2007

By the Regional Director, South Central Region, Enforcement Bureau:

- In this Forfeiture Order ("Order"), we issue a monetary forfeiture in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to Ace Broadcasting, Inc. ("Ace"), licensee of expired station WQST-AM, in Forest, Mississippi, for willful and repeated violation of Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended ("Act").² The noted violations involve Ace's engaging in unauthorized operations of its station after its license expired.
- 2. On December 13, 2006, the Commission's New Orleans Office of the Enforcement Bureau ("New Orleans Office") issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture ("NAL") in the amount of \$4,000 to Ace.³ Ace has not filed a response to the NAL. Based on the information before us, we affirm the forfeiture.
- ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, ⁴ and Sections 0.111, 0.311 and 1.80(f)(4) of the Commission's Rules,⁵ Ace Broadcasting, Inc. IS LIABLE FOR A MONETARY FORFEITURE in the amount of \$4,000 for violation of Section 301 of the Act.
- Payment of the forfeiture shall be made in the manner provided for in Section 1.80 of the Commission's Rules within 30 days of the release of this *Order*. If the forfeiture is not paid within the period specified, the case may be referred to the Department of Justice for collection pursuant to Section 504(a) of the Act. Payment of the forfeiture must be made by check or similar instrument, payable to the

¹ The license to operate station WQST-AM expired on June 1, 2004.

² 47 U.S.C. § 301.

³ Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture, NAL/Acct. No. 200732620001 (Enf. Bur., New Orleans Office, released December 13, 2006).

⁴ 47 U.S.C. § 503(b).

⁵ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.111, 0.311, 1.80(f)(4).

⁶ 47 U.S.C. § 504(a).

order of the Federal Communications Commission. The payment must include the NAL/Acct. No. and FRN No. referenced above. Payment by check or money order may be mailed to Federal Communications Commission, P.O. Box 358340, Pittsburgh, PA 15251-8340. Payment by overnight mail may be sent to Mellon Bank /LB 358340, 500 Ross Street, Room 1540670, Pittsburgh, PA 15251. Payment by wire transfer may be made to ABA Number 043000261, receiving bank Mellon Bank, and account number 911-6106. Requests for full payment under an installment plan should be sent to: Associate Managing Director, Financial Operations, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 1A625, Washington, D.C. 20554.

5. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this *Order* shall be sent by First Class Mail and Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested to Ace Broadcasting, Inc. at its address of record.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Dennis P. Carlton Regional Director, South Central Region Enforcement Bureau

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⁷ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1914.